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## Dear Antony:

Thank you very much for your telecommunicated letters dated November 29 and 30, 1993, in connection with the above-identified applications.

Please consider the following matters:

- (a) referring to your letter of November 29, claims 1 (at line 14) and 2 (at line 9), and the changes to page 5 of the specification recite in effect compaction "in excess of 10 pounds per cubic foot". Claim 3 recites a range which includes 10. Please consider whether we could make the specification and claim 1 and 2 more clearly inclusive of 10;
- (b) claim 11 relates to flow-through cooling. The preferred flow-through cooling for SCI is at a pressure between 200 to 300 psig, more preferably 200 to 250 psig. I propose that claim 11 recite 200 to 250 psig instead of 250 to 500 psig (please note how conveniently claim 11 depends from claim 8, which recites cooling at "500 psig or below". The 200-250 cooling pressure, together with the maximum pressure of claim 10 fairly well defines the most preferred operating conditions for SCI. The higher maximum pressures shortens soak time;
  - referring to your telecommunication on November 30, 1993, you listed

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